

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF FREDERICK COUNTY
WORKSHOP MINUTES
Thursday, April 29, 2021**

Council Members M.C. Keegan-Ayer, President; Michael Blue, Vice President, Jerry Donald, Steve McKay, Jessica Fitzwater, Kai Hagen and Phil Dacey were present for the workshop.

Also present were Ragen Cherney, Chief of Staff, County Council; Catherine Keller, Assistant County Attorney; and Sarah Ambrosio, Recording Secretary.

Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer called the workshop to order at 9:00 a.m. in the first floor hearing room, Winchester Hall, 12 East Church Street, Frederick, Maryland. President Keegan-Ayer noted an agenda change that in order for the County Executive to hold her regular media advisory at 11:00 a.m., the Council would take an early lunch recess for the lunch break prior to 11:00 a.m., and then reconvene at 12:30 p.m.

Transit Service

Roman Steichen, Director, Transit, presented an overview of the Transit Service Division and answered questions from the Council regarding the budget.

Animal Control

Sgt. David Luckenbaugh, Animal Control Supervisor, presented an overview of Animal Control Division and answered questions from the Council regarding the budget.

Parks and Recreation

Jeremy Kortright, Director, Parks and Recreation; Bob Hicks, Deputy Director; Kim Taylor, Fiscal Specialist; and, Joe Kelley, Bicycle / Pedestrian Coordinator, presented an overview of the Parks and Recreation Division and answered Council questions on the budget.

Public Works

Chuck Nipe, Director; Dave Ennis, Department Head, Highway and Facility Maintenance; Robert Shen, Department Head, Engineering and Construction Management; Jeremy Endlich, Director, Fleet Services, presented an overview of Public Works Division and answered Council questions on the budget.

(The Council took a break at 10:55 a.m. and reconvened at 12:30 p.m.)

Finance

Lori Depies, Chief Financial Officer; and Erin White, Acting Director, Finance, presented an overview of the Finance Division and answered questions from the Council regarding the budget.

Planning and Permitting

Steve Horn, Director; Gary Hessong, Deputy Director; and Anne Bradley, Ag Preservation Program Administrator; presented an overview of the Planning and Permitting Division and answered questions from the Council regarding the budget.

Fire and Rescue Services

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Chief Tom Coe, DFRS and Asst. Chief Steve Leatherman, DFRS, presented an overview of the Fire and Rescue Services Division and answered Council questions on the budget.

Volunteer Fire Rescue

Asst. Chief Michael Darwick, DVFRS, presented an overview of the Volunteer Fire and Rescue Services Division and answered Council questions on the budget.

(The Council took a break at 3:02 p.m. and reconvened at 3:12 p.m.)

Office of Economic Development

Helen Prophet, Director, Office of Economic Development, and Michelle Day, Director, Workforce Services, presented an overview of the Office of Economic Development and answered questions from the Council regarding the budget.

IIT

Dave Maginnis, Acting Director, and Nick Hetrick, Manager, Infrastructure presented an overview of the IIT Division and answered Council questions on the budget.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

M.C. Keegan-Ayer, President
County Council